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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

Brandon D. Sherr,

Plaintiff,

-against-

Board of Elections in the City of New York,

Defendant.

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<u>ORDER</u>

STEWART D. AARON, United States Magistrate Judge:

Defendant's pending motion to dismiss having been referred to the undersigned for a Report and Recommendation (*see* Referral Order, ECF No. 24), the Court intends to consider together Defendant's motion to dismiss and Plaintiff's motion to certify a collective action. *See*, *e.g.*, *Uraga v. Amici 519 LLC*, No. 17-CV-03547 (ALC), 2018 WL 3579850, at *1 (S.D.N.Y. July 25, 2018) (noting that motion to dismiss and motion for conditional certification were "more efficiently decided in one order" given overlapping arguments); *Deas v. Alba Carting & Demolition Inc.*, No. 17-CV-03947 (RA), 2018 WL 11409286, at *1 (S.D.N.Y. Jan. 22, 2018) (deciding motions in single order); *Chen v. Major League Baseball*, 6 F. Supp. 3d 449, 451 (S.D.N.Y. 2014) (same), *aff'd sub nom. Chen v. Major League Baseball Properties, Inc.*, 798 F.3d 72 (2d Cir. 2015).

¹ "Orders authorizing notice are often referred to as orders 'certifying' a collective action, even though the [Fair Labor Standards Act] does not contain a certification requirement." *Guillen v. Marshalls of MA, Inc.*, 750 F. Supp. 2d 469, 475 (S.D.N.Y. 2010).

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Accordingly, it is hereby Ordered that, no later than January 2, 2024, the parties shall file a proposed briefing schedule for the remainder of the briefing on both motions or, if the parties cannot agree, their respective proposals regarding the briefing schedule.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: New York, New York

December 20, 2023

STEWART D. AARON

United States Magistrate Judge